

ABSTRACT

Tall, lightweight folding cart eases shopping by carrying purchases in higher, more accessible baskets than store carts. The heaviest purchases, carried in the top basket, are lowered as a unit to the checkout counter without lifting. After checkout, baskets are returned to cart. Store carts quit in the parking lot. Our baskets continue the shopper's mission, carrying purchases into car trunk and on to home driveway or garage. Here the folded cart is reopened to carry baskets to kitchen table. Later, with shopping baskets removed, cart becomes an all-purpose vehicle, ready to carry a strapped-on golf bag, luggage, baskets of garden materials, furniture and other household burdens. Its lightweight folding character encourages new uses where carts have rarely gone before. On a family camping trip, for example, it can carry a folded tent to the campsite, and later deliver an ice chest of drinks and a food basket to a picnic site. Wheels are mounted for quick detachment to increase the storage compactness of an unloaded cart.